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Mr. Max Millikan Central Intelligence Agency 2430 E Street, N.W. Washington, D. C.

Dear Max:

Enclosed please find two memoranda describing the forthcoming conference on the Soviet economy. Among the various topics listed in the program you will note that there is one on "Capital Formation and Allocation as a Conditioning Factor." The paper on this is to be delivered by Norman Kaplan of the Rand Corporation, and according to what Kershaw writes me, it should be a most interesting study. I am wondering whether you might be willing to serve as discussant in this connection. It has occurred to me that this topic might be one of the more appealing from your standpoint.

As I mentioned in Boston, I am very desirous of having someone at the conference with engineering and economic background. Probably such a person would best be fitted into the program as a discussant on topics 6, 7, and 8, dealing with Industry. I should greatly appreciate any suggestions you might be able to make in this connection.

The grant from the sponsoring organizations covers the expenses of participants.

I hope very much that you will be able to let me know shortly that you can attend the conference.

Cordially,

Abram Bergson

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